Navy MWR, AT&T Create Passport CD-ROMs For Sailors

Navy Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) is partnering with AT&T through a commercial sponsorship agreement to create four informational "passport" CD-ROMs for Sailors over the next year.

Three of the easy-to-navigate CDs are directed toward Sailors on deployment, and those making port visits to the Middle East, Asia and Europe. The final CD will include an overview of Navy MWR programs worldwide.

The Middle East CD features MWR facility and program highlights, including athletics, fitness, entertainment, recreation, tours, food and beverage facilities, plus phone numbers and Web links to local MWR offices. Beyond MWR, the CD gives cultural overviews, shopping hints, climate and language information, transportation tips, food and drink traditions, and even a link to currency conversion tables.

On each CD, AT&T provides information and step-by-step procedures on how to make the most economical and efficient long distance telephone calls to friends and families, as well as links to their military-support home page.

The production of 10,000 Middle East and Asian CDs, 15,000 European CDs and approximately 20,000 Navywide CDs will be distributed via Navy leadership, career counselors, Fleet Recreation Afloat coordinators and at selected special events.

